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1. BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Fred William ONICK, Captain, Infantry, O-468853, Caucasian, was born on 4 July 1921 at San Francisco, California. SUBJECT attended the High School of Commerce, San Francisco, California (1936-40), and San Francisco Junior College (1940-42). SUBJECT served on active duty with the Army from 20 May 1942 until his being honorably discharged on 20 April 1946. SUBJECT again entered the Army on Extended Active Duty in 1951. On 2 December 1953, as a result of a National Agency Check, SUBJECT was granted a SECRET clearance as a prerequisite for attendance at the Army Language School. SUBJECT is currently assigned to the 6122d Control Ground California, and is presently employed as Assistant Director of the American Red Cross, 13th Naval District. SUBJECT resides at 3717 26th Place, Seattle, Washing ton, with his wife, Valentina Onick, nee Belobrodski. SUBJECT's home of record is indicated as 26 Rocklyn Court, Corte Madera, California RECEALIDAD ANGLE ASSIMED been initiated on SUBJECT.

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2. BASIS FOR INVESTIGATION:

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ACSI, Department of the Army, requested that SUBJECT be interviewed under oath concerning his association with the Russian American Society (RAS); his knowledge of his present wife's activities with the Canadian Soviet Friendship Council, the Canadian Soviet Friendship League, and the Federation of Russian Canadians to include the extent to which he is influenced by her or her activities; and his beliefs concerning Communism.

3. RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION:

DOD DIR 5200.

a. On 9 September 1953 SUBJECT completed DD Form 398, Statement of Personal History, and answered "no" to Items 16 and 18. On 30 March 1954 SUBJECT completed DD Form 98, Loyalty Certificate, and entered "none" in the remarks section.

b. Federal Bureau of Investigation reports (see Tab #1) indicate that SUBJECT's father was a member of the RAS in 1943 and 1944 and that SUBJECT's present wife was employed by the Soviet Purchasing Commission in Vancouver, as secretary for three Soviet officials, one of whom (S. G. Lukianov) has been subsequently positively identified as a Soviet intelligence agent; and that she was connected with the Russian Workers and Farmers Club and the Federation of Russian Canadians. Her family has connections with other Communist controlled organizations. It was also revealed that SUBJECT's former wife and her family were connected with the RAS and the All-Slavic Council of Northern California. (The RAS has been cited by the Attorney General. The All-Slavic Council of Northern California is not officially connected with the American Slavic Congress although known Communists are members of this organization.) Sixth Army files revealed the following:

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(Canadian-Soviet Friendship. Council for - which may or may not be identical with the Canadian Soviet Friendship Council:

Testimony at the Canadian spy ring trial in Ottawa in April 1946, by Igor Gouzenko, that this organization was used as a "cover" for the operations of the ring.

Federation of Russian Canadians:

The Royal Canadian Mounted Police have reported that the . Federation of Russian Canadians is the Communist instrument in the Russian field in Canada.)

- In a sworn statement, on 15 December 1955, SUBJECT stated that during 1942 to 1945 his parents were associated with the RAS in San Francisco but that he did not believe that they were members of the RAS, and that he had attended some of the social functions of the RAS in 1945 but was never a member.
- d. In the above mentioned statement SUBJECT also stated that his present wife has never belonged to any organizations, however, she has been associated as an entertainer at the Polish Hall, Vancouver B. C. SUBJECT went on to state that he has never heard of the Canadian Soviet Friendship League, the Federation of Russian Canadians, or the Canadian Soviet Friendship Council. He also stated that he attended social functions at the Polish Hall with his present wife, and that he was married there.
- e. Concerning his beliefs on Communism, SUBJECT stated that he has little knowledge of Communism or the Communistic form of government but that Communism is not a threat to the American way of life. SUBJECT also stated that he has no political beliefs or affiliations although he has registered Democrat.
- f. Attention is invited to Tab #2, a letter from the Federal Bureau of Investigation wherein it is stated that the Federal Bureau of Investigation is at present conducting investigations on SUBJECT's father and his present wife, the results of which are not included in this file.

4. DISCUSSION:

Information in this case indicates that SUBJECT has associated with members of the RAS; his parents, former wife, and his former wife's parents. SUBJECT's present wife is reported to be a member of several Russian Canadian organizations and SUBJECT has admitted attending social functions at the Polish Hall in Vancouver, B. C., with her. It has not been resolved, in the information thus far presented,

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the extent to which SUBJECT is influenced by his wife or her activities, or just exactly what activity she has partaken in. SUBJECT stated that his wife has been an entertainer at the Polish Hall and that that is the only connection she has had with any organization to his knowledge. There is no information in this report to either prove or disprove SUBJECT's statement. There is no information connecting the Polish Hall with the Canadian Soviet Friendship Council or the Federation of Russian Canadians. A determination cannot be made on the information available at this time, and further investigation is requested.

5. CONCLUSION:

It is therefore concluded that a determination in this case, under the provisions of AR 604-10, cannot be made until several points have been resolved.

6. RECOMMENDATION:

It is the recommendation of this office that ASCI, DA, be advised that further investigation is necessary. It is further recommended that the investigation of SUBJECT be conducted concurrently with that of his wife, now being conducted by FBI. It is recommended that the following points be resolved during the investigation:

- a. What connection is there between the Polish Hall in Vancouver, B. C., and the Canadian Soviet Friendship Council or the Federation of Russian Canadians.
- * b. What activities has SUBJECT's wife, Valentina, been engaged in pertaining to her membership in the Canadian Soviet Friendship Council or the Federation of Russian Canadians.
 - c. To what extent is SUBJECT influenced by his wife, Valentina?

d. The extent of SUBJECT's activity in the RAS in 1945.

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